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For: DIAGNOSTIC METHOD FOR DISEASES	:	Gary W. Counts
BY SCREENING FOR HEPcidIN IN HUMAN	:	
OR ANIMAL TISSUES, BLOOD OR BODY	:	
FLUIDS AND THERAPEUTIC USES THEREFOR	:	
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2008, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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